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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

In response to the action mailed July 25, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

(Twice Amended) A method of using an electrical device comprising employing in said device a dielectric fluid consisting essentially of at least one vegetable oil, wherein said vegetable oil is substantially free of chlorinated compounds[,] and [wherein said vegetable oil] has a viscosity between 2 and 15 cSt at 100°C, and less than about 100 cSt at 40°C, and wherein said dielectric fluid is food grade.

Please cancel claim 21 without prejudice or disclaimer.

(Twice Amended) A device capable of generating or distributing electrical energy, wherein the device has incorporated therein a dielectric fluid consisting essentially of one or more vegetable oils that are free of chlorinated compounds, wherein said vegetable oil has a viscosity between about 2 and 15 cSt at 100°C, and less than about 110 cSt at 40°C, and wherein the dielectric fluid is food grade.

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